

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Juneau Youth Services****Federal Tax ID: 92-0038549****Project Title:**

## Juneau Youth Services - Vehicle Purchase

**State Funding Requested: \$ 25,000**  
One-Time Need**House District: Juneau Areawide (3-4)****Brief Project Description:**

Purchase vehicle to transport the children JYS serves.

**Funding Plan:****Total Cost of Project: \$25,000**Funding Secured*Amount FY*Other Pending Requests*Amount FY*Anticipated Future Need*Amount FY*

There is no other funding needed

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Juneau Youth Services serves emotionally and mentally disturbed children from northern Southeast Alaska. It plays a key role in the state's Bring the Kids Home initiative.

In fulfilling its mission, JYS transports client children throughout the City & Borough of Juneau. Many of the agency's vehicles have high mileage, rising maintenance costs, and safety issues and need to be replaced.

The CIP requests funding for one van to transport client children.

While there is no official local government action in support of this CIP request, the City & Borough of Juneau provides \$50,000 in annual operating funds to JYS each year, demonstrating significant local government prioritization of JYS services.

Historically, JYS has funded vehicle replacements via grants from the federal Administration for Children and Families, Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority, the Alaska Department of Transportation, and JYS operating funds/savings.

**Project Timeline:**

The vehicle will be purchased during Calendar Year 2008.

**Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

Juneau Youth Services

**Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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## **Capital Request February 13, 2008**

### **Therapeutic Group Home (\$500,000)**

These funds would go for the purchase or building of a therapeutic group home in Juneau. The program will use a house parent model and will serve 5 children, ages 6 to 11, with serious behavioral health concerns. By providing services in the local community, the new program will prevent children from leaving the state to receive the care they need.

The program has been in the planning stages for almost two years. A business plan was developed and submitted to the Denali Commission. The Department of Health and Social Services approved the service delivery aspects of the business plan. The program was in line for 2008 Denali Commission funds, but the funds were withheld due to shortfalls in other projects funded through the Commission. We have now been informed that Denali Commission funding may not be available for this project until 2010.

There are two options for the \$500,000 being requested. The first option would be to build the facility on existing JYS property on Montana Creek. The proposed site for the facility was identified through the Denali Commission process. The overall capital budget for this option is approximately \$1.5 million and would require additional capital grants to complete. The second option would be to purchase and renovate an existing home in Juneau. In today's changing real estate market, we believe we could accomplish the purchase and renovation for \$500,000.

### **Vehicles (\$110,000)**

We routinely use vehicles to transport youth throughout the day and night. JYS provides services in 7 of our own facilities and in 9 schools throughout Juneau; five of our programs provide 24-hour residential services. We serve over 700 children and families a year and have a current fleet of over 20 vehicles to meet client transportation needs. The \$110,000 would go towards the purchase of the following:

- 8-Passenger Vans (2): These vans would replace two of our existing high-mileage vehicles. They will be 4-wheel or all-wheel drive to maximize safety.
- Truck: We currently do not have a truck to help maintain our 7 buildings and parking areas. In winter months this is very difficult since we have expansive and hilly areas that need to be regularly plowed. The truck would be heavy duty and 4-wheel drive; it would also be equipped for snow plowing and sanding.